IN THE TITLE:

Please amend the title to read

--SELECTIVE ACCESS TO MEMORY CARDS--.

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Please amend the paragraph beginning at page 3, line 1 as follows:

--Moreover, in another image processing apparatus which becomes available in recent years and includes plural card slots, when a card is inserted into the card slot, the functional card slot is automatically selected and changed if necessary. In this case, even when the card slot has been automatically changed to the functional card slot, the image processing apparatus does not notify an external apparatus (e.g., a personal computer) accessibly connected to the card slot in question that the card slot has been changed. Therefore, when the card slot has been automatically changed to the functional card slot, an operator and the external apparatus accessibly connected to the card slot in question cannot discriminate and confirm such a fact. Thus, when the memory card inserted in the card slot is removed therefrom and then another memory card is inserted in this card slot, the external apparatus accesses the newly inserted memory card on the premise that the memory <u>card cart</u> is not changed, whereby there is a fear that the data stored in the inserted memory card is damaged.--